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For : METHOD FOR ISOLATING TERPENE TRILACTONES
(GINKGOLIDES, BILOBADIDE) FROM LEAVES AND
PHARMACEUTICAL POWDERS OF GINKGO BILOBA

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE
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Prior to examination, please make the following amendments to the
above-identified application:

In the Specification

On page 1, after the title, please delete the first paragraph and
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--This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No.
10/194,089, filed July 11, 2002 which is a continuation-in-
part of U.S. Serial No. 09/903,049, filed July 11, 2001, the
contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--